

**DECLARATION AND POWER OF
ATTORNEY FOR UTILITY OR DESIGN
PATENT APPLICATION
(37 CFR 1.63)**

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| Filing Date | 09-14-2001 |
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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled: **REGENERATION AND GENETIC TRANSFORMATION OF ACACIA MANGIUM** the specification of which is was filed on January 19, 2000 as PCT International Application Number PCT/SG00/00010, now U.S. Serial No. 09/936,612 and was amended on .

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